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PASS AGRICULTURE

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1. ACCORDING TO MOTION TABLED IN COMMONS JANUARY 11 BY
FINMIN TURNER, MOST OF TEMPORARY ONE-YEAR TARIFF CUTS OF
LAST FEBRUARY (REFS A, B) TO BE EXTENDED TO JUNE 30, FOUR
MONTHS BEYOND SCHEDULED EXPRIATION FEBRUARY 20, 1974.

2. TARIFFS ON SOME ITEMS, INCLUDING RANGE OF CANNED AND FRESH
FRUITS, VEGETABLE AND JUICES, WILL REVERT TO FORMER HIGHER
RATES ON FEBRUARY 20.

3. MINISTER TURNER REPORTED AS STATING ONE REASON FOR
RESTORATION OF OLD TARIFF RATES JUNE 30 IS TO GIVE
CANADA BARGAINING LEVER IN UPCOMING GENEVA GATT MTNS.

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RM SIGNIFICANT AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES AFFECTED BY
FEBRUARY 20 RESTORATION OF RATES INCLUDE CANNED
APRICOTS, PEACHES, PEARS AND MIXED FRUITS, FRESH
ASPARAGUS, BRUSSELS SPROUTS, CUCUMBERS, TOMATOES,
SWEET CHERRIES, PEARS, STRAWBERRIES, CITRUS FRUIT
JUICES, AND PREPARED MIXTURES OF MEAT, FISH, AND
VEGETABLES. IN INDUSTRIAL SECTOR FORMER TARIFF RATES
ON INDUSTRIAL PRESS-ON TIRES (TARIFF ITEM NUMBER
61816-1) AND LIGHTING BALLASTS (TARIFF ITEM
NUMBER 44503-1) WILL BE RESTORED FEBRUARY 20.

5. TARIFF REDUCTIONS ON SUGAR AND RELATED PRODUCTS
WILL BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 30, 1976.

6. FULL TEXT OF MOTION INCLUDING LIST OF AFFECTED
COMMODITIES AIRGRAMMED TODAY.
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